

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The registration form is included in this invitation packet or may be completed online at www.nefs.org. Fees for the New England Fertility Society (NEFS) Annual Meeting are:

- \$300 – MDs and PhDs (NEFS Members)
- \$175 – Nurses, Embryologists, Lab Techs, Students, Trainees, Fellows, Support Staff (NEFS Members)
- \$350 – MDs and PhDs (NON-NEFS Members*)
- \$270 – Nurses, Embryologists, Lab Techs, Students, Trainees, Fellows, Support Staff (NON-NEFS Members*)
- \$150 – Adult guests of paid attendees may attend social functions and meals.

This fee includes all sessions & materials, break refreshments, one breakfast, lunch, dinner, and all social receptions.

**If you join as a member of the NEFS at the annual rate, you will also enjoy the benefits of reduced registration for this meeting and the opportunity to attend additional quarterly meetings annually. For more information, choose MEMBERSHIP on our website.*

Payments may be made by cash, check, credit card. All completed registrations will be acknowledged via email. (Please include an email you check regularly to receive any updated information related to this meeting).

Cancellations must be received no later than April 1, 2017 and the NEFS will not issue refunds after this date. Registration and credit card payment for this meeting can be completed on the attached form or submitted online at www.nefs.org.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Check or money order payable to: **New England Fertility Society**
Credit Card Payment: Visa, MasterCard, AMEX, Discover

ROUNDTABLE LUNCH TOPICS

Topics will be available on our website at www.nefs.org

FACULTY SPEAKERS



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SAVE THE DATE

~May 5-6, 2017~

Cliff House ~ Ogunquit, Maine

*“On the Edge of
New Discoveries in 2017”*





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New England Fertility Society 15th Annual Meeting

May 5-6, 2017 ~ Ogunquit, Maine

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The New England Fertility Society is pleased to invite you to join us in Ogunquit, Maine for our 15th Annual Meeting ~ One the Edge of New Discoveries in 2017. Our talented group of presenters, both nationally and internationally renowned, will lead presentations on topics that include cutting edge lab techniques; assisted reproductive technologies and best practices; female and male reproductive surgery; reproductive ethics, gene editing, environmental health, bioinformatics, and care for the transgender patient.

The 2017 conference begins on Friday evening with the President's Guest Lecture by Dr. Amber Cooper presenting bioinformatics and patient care. Themed dinner stations will be followed by a dessert and coffee reception, as well as access to industry supporters' exhibits. The evening will continue with Cinco de Mayo themed signature drinks and festive snacks while you visit with your colleagues and friends. Children of attendees can join in during the Cinco de Mayo reception to make party crafts and test their luck at a piñata!

On Saturday following an early breakfast with Exhibitors, the morning session begins with our Oskowitz lectureship, named in honor of the Founder of the NEFS, Dr. Selwyn Oskowitz, and featuring a topic on CRISPR. We are excited to welcome the esteemed Dr. Michael Rogers in presenting this third annual lecture. The morning continues with the outcomes of surgery and female infertility and presentations by the REI Ferring Award Scholars.

After several stimulating roundtable lunch discussions, concurrent sessions will begin featuring a nursing session, a reproductive ethics talk and a Hands-on session featuring surgical trainers from our industry partners.

Following a brief afternoon break, the conference resumes with a panel discussion on transgender patients and a talk by Dr. Alukal on sperm and IVF-ICSI. We will hear the research results from our 2016 eIVF grant recipients as we adjourn to eIVF-sponsored Cinco de Mayo Fiesta reception with many announcements, surprises and definitely

some fun social time before you leave the cliffs of Ogunquit, Maine. Bring your sombreros and pinatas to join in on the fun and perhaps win a raffle prize.

Please check our website www.nefs.org for updated information regularly and don't miss your chance to join us on the "edge" of the breathtaking cliffs of Maine. Register today.

TARGET AUDIENCE

This course is aimed to meet the needs of clinicians, nurses, embryologists, and other professionals with an interest in the field of Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this program, the participants will be able to:

- To discuss personalized medicine, genomic testing and therapies and use of "big data" in reproductive health
- Understand and describe CRISPR, key features of SpyCas 9 and the role of double-strand pathways in genomic editing.
- Understand and describe the state of surgical fellowship training utilizing proper approaches to enhancing infertility.
- Understand the inefficiencies of the human independent double-check procedures, automation and options available for electronic witnessing.
- Describe how environmental exposures can be discovered by building search engines.
- To understand how the basic philosophical principles underlying ethical analysis in REI and apply to current cases
- Learn and execute the strategies on how to overcome barriers and communicate difficult information to patients.
- Learn strategies on how to overcome compassion fatigue when working with emotionally charged patients consistently.
- Discuss treatment options available to transgender patients who wish to build genetically-related families from a panel of physicians and counselors.
- Understand and describe the usage and methods of testicular sperm extraction for the severely oligospermic patient.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Friday, May 5, 2017

- 4:00 pm Registration / President's Welcome Reception - *Exhibits/Posters Open*
- 6:00 pm Dinner
- 6:15 pm President's Guest Lecture: Bioinformatics and Individualizing Patient Care - *Amber Cooper, MD*
- 7:00 pm Dessert and Coffee Reception - *Exhibits/Posters Open*
- 8:00 pm "Cinco de Mayo" Reception Event

Saturday, May 6, 2017

- 7:00 am President's Breakfast - *Exhibits/Posters Open*
- 8:00 am President's Opening Remarks

Morning Session:

- 8:15 am Oskowitz Lectureship: Feasibility of Multiplex CRISPR-mediated Germline Modification - *Michael Rogers, MD*
- 9:00 am Effects of Reproductive Surgery in the Treatment of Female Infertility - *Ceana Nezhat, PhD*
- 9:45 am REI Research Presentation - *Lauren Murphy, MD*
- 10:00 am REI Research Presentation - *Paula Brady, MD*
- 10:15 am Morning Break - *Exhibits/Posters Open*
- 11:00 am Electronic Witnessing Platforms - Has the time come for ART programs to abandon human independent double check? - *Carli Chapman, ELD*
- 11:45 am Building a search engine to find environmental exposures associated with disease and health - *Chirag Patel, PhD, - Tamarra James-Todd, PhD*
- 12:30 pm Roundtable Lunch Discussions

Concurrent Sessions

Session I: Nursing Symposium

- 1:45 pm Don't Take it Personally: Helping Patients While Avoiding Compassion Fatigue - *Paula Dwan, WHNP*
- 2:30 pm How to Deliver Bad News - *Corrinne Alexander-Cole, MD*

Session II:

- 1:45 pm Reproductive Ethical Dilemmas - *Louise King, MD, JD*
- 2:30 pm Hands On Surgical Trainers

- 3:15 pm Afternoon Break

Afternoon Session:

- 3:30 pm Reproductive Care for the Transgender Patient - *Samuel Pang, MD, Tim Cavanaugh, MD, Meredith Fouton-Barnes, LICSW*
- 4:30 pm Use of testicular sperm in the setting of IVF/ICSI failure - *Joe Alukal, PhD*
- 5:15 pm eIVF Research Award - *Denis Vaughan, MD*
- 5:30 pm eIVF Research Award - *Allison Bartoclucci, PhD*
- 5:45 pm Closing Remarks/Scientific Meeting Adjourned
- 6:00 pm "Cinco de Mayo Fiesta" Closing Event

ACCREDITATION

PHYSICIAN: Application for CME credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. Determination of credit is pending approval. AAFP Prescribed credit is accepted by the American Medical Association as equivalent to AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ toward the AMA Physician's Recognition Award.

NURSE: Village Fertility Pharmacy is an approved provider of continuing education in nursing by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider # CEP 16820, is pending approval for Contact Hours. Receptions, breakfast, lunch, dinner and breaks are provided by the New England Fertility Society. It does not influence or affect continuing nursing education content or speaker selection and does not represent endorsement by California Board of Registered Nursing. Village Fertility Pharmacy is sponsoring the educational activity for the New England Fertility Society.

ABB: This activity is pending approval by the American Board of Bioanalysis (ABB) Professional Enrichment Educational Renewal (PEER) for contact hours of continuing education activity for this program.

Updates on the status of accreditation will be posted on the website as it becomes available. This activity is jointly sponsored by the Continuing Education Company, Village Fertility Pharmacy, American Board of Bioanalysis (ABB) Professional Enrichment Educational Renewal (PEER), and the NEFS.

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LOCATION

Cliff House
591 Shore Road
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www.cliffhousemaine.com

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Reservations for the hotel can be made by going through an online reservation system for NEFS meeting attendees at the Hotel Reservations link on our annual meeting page at www.nefs.org. Or, you may call the reservation line at **855-210-6901** and mention the NEFS meeting. A limited block of rooms have been reserved for this meeting at a special group rate of **\$199** per night plus applicable taxes including the waived resort fee for our guests. More information is available on our website.

Check-in: 4:00 pm
Check-out: 11:00 am

The NEFS recommends that you secure your room early whereas there are a limited number of rooms available at this very special group rate of \$199 and WILL sell out. After April 1, 2017, rooms are on a space-available-only basis and the group rate will no longer apply. (Please note that a one night's room deposit is required by the hotel at the time of reservation.)

Name badges will be provided onsite and, for security reasons, are required for admission to all sessions.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Check out our website at www.nefs.org.